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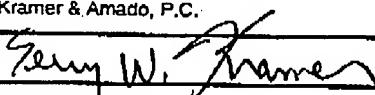
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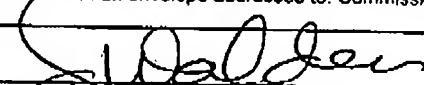
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Sir:

This Request is in response to the Office Action dated May 30, 2007, and is believed to be fully responsive to each point of the rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance of all the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

In section 4 on pages 3-9, the Office Action rejects claims 1-26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,111,881 to Soncodi in view of WO 98/49862 to So et al. (hereinafter "So"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.